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SUBJ: ASHRAF PAHLAVI FOUNDATION BOARD ANNOUNCED

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1. BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ASHRAF PAHLAVI FOUNDATION NAMED APRIL 15 INCLUDES SIX PERMANENT MEMBERS AND NINE MEMBERS APPOINTED FOR A THREE-YEAR TOUR, SUBJECT TO REAPPOINTMENT. PERMANENT MEMBERS ARE PRIME MINISTER HOVEYDA, COURT MINISTER ALAM, SENATE PRESIDENT SHARIF-EMAMI, MAJLES SPEAKER RIAZI, SUPREME COURT PRESIDENT NASSER YEGANEH, AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF IMPERIAL ORGANIZATION FOR SOCIAL SERVICES (IOSS) ABDOL REZA ANSARI. NINE OTHER MEMBERS APPOINTED BY ASHRAF ARE NIOC CHAIRMAN EQBAL, INTERIOR MINISTER AMOUZEGAR, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND FINANCE MINISTER ANSARY, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ASFIA, PLAN AND BUDGET ORGANIZATION CHIEF MAJIDI, MINISTER OF STATE FOR WOMEN'S AFFAIRS MAHNAZ AFKHAMI, SENIOR IOSS ADVISER (AND FORMER SCIENCE MINISTER) MAJID RAHNEMA, SENATOR ALI REZAI AND FORMER EDUCATION MINISTER GHOLAM HOSSEIN JAHANSHAHI.

2. FORMER FARS PROVINCE GOVERNOR GENERAL MANUCHEHR PIRUZ WAS NAMED MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE FOUNDATION. HE HAD SERVED WITH DISTINCTION IN SHIRAZ FOR SOME FOUR AND A HALF YEARS BEFORE HIS REPLACEMENT IN FEBRUARY (TEHRAN 1343).

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3. ABDOL REZA ANSARI PROVIDED EMBASSY WITH COPY OF FOUNDATION'S

CHARTER, WHICH CONFIRMS REFTEL'S INFORMATION THAT INITIAL CAPITALIZATION IS TO BE 100 MILLION RIALS (DOL\$1.4 MILLION), WITH BALANCE OF ASHRAF'S ASSETS TO BE TRANSFERRED GRADUALLY TO A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FOUNDATION. ASKED BY REPORTER TO SPECIFY THE TOTAL VALUE, ALAM DECLINED BUT TERMED IT "QUITE LARGE BY ORDINARY STANDARDS, AS IT COMES FROM A PRINCESS." ALAM ADDED THAT ACCORDING TO AN ANCIENT MAXIM IT WAS INTENTION OF THE ONOR WHICH MATTERED, NOT AMOUNT OF MONEY INVOLVED. DONATIONS FROM PUBLIC WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED, SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL. ARTICLE SIX GIVES FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF FOUNDATION'S PURPOSES:

(A) RENDERING ASSISTANCE TO UNIVERSITIES AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

(B) ASSISTING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN THE SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND MEDICAL FIELDS AND ALSO ASSISTING SUCH INSTITUTIONS AS ENGAGE IN THE ABOVE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES.

(C) ASSIGNMENT OF GIFTED STUDENTS AND GRADUATES TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THEIR STUDIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURES OF THE FOUNDATION.

(D) GRANTING SCHOLARSHIPS AND INTEREST FREE LOANS IN ORDER TO FACILITATE HIGHER STUDIES BOTH INSIDE THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD, TO GIFTED IRANIAN STUDENTS AND ALSO TO THE FOREIGNERS WHO ARE ENGAGED IN STUDIES AND RESEARCH WORK RELATED TO IRANIAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION.

(E) RENDERING ASSISTANCE TO LIBRARIES AND PUBLISHING SCIENTIFIC AND SCHOLARLY WORKS OF VALUE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES OF THE FOUNDATION.

(F) CREATING IRANOLOGY FELLOWSHIPS IN THE GREAT UNIVERSITIES OF THE WORLD.

(G) RENDERING ASSISTANCE TO THE SCIENTIFIC, EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS OF OTHER COUNTRIES IN PARTICULAR THOSE OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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